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A STAR IS BORN

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THIS MONTH'S



THE MACKINTOSH MAN
Paul Newman plus double agents and triple crosses in this John Huston thriller. Starts December 2



SPARKLE
From ghetto to superstars. Great sounds by Curtis Mayfield. Starts December 3



THE ENFORCER
Clint (Dirty Harry) Eastwood and his .44 magnum take on a group of terrorists. Starts December 4



DEMON SEED
A supercomputer traps and seduces Julie Christie in this dazzling sci-fi drama. Starts December 10



**HELEN REDDY
STANDING ROOM ONLY**
Join her star-studded Las Vegas audience. Starts December 11



COLLEGE BASKETBALL
See HBO's exclusive coverage of four big games this month on December 8, 14, 22, 29



A STAR IS BORN
Barbra Streisand and Kris Kristofferson star in this glittering love-rock drama. Starts December 18



BUGSY MALONE
12-year-old flappers and mini-mobsters in an ingenious gangster spoof. Starts December 23



PART 2 SOUNDER
A beautiful sequel to the highly acclaimed *Sounder*. Great music by Taj Mahal. Starts December 24

HIGHLIGHTS



INSIDE THE NFL
Each week it's all new action—plus a new Super Bowl sweepstakes. New show each Thursday.



A CLOCKWORK ORANGE
A mind-dazzling view into the near-future from Stanley ("2001") Kubrick. Starts December 9



THE CHRISTMAS THAT ALMOST WASN'T
An HBO holiday tradition for the entire family. Starts December 10



**SHECKY GREENE
ON LOCATION**
Visit a Las Vegas club with this superb comic. Starts December 16



THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP
Anthony Newley stars in this mirth-and-music version of Dickens' story. Starts December 17



**KAMOURASKA:
POWER OF PASSION**
Genevieve Bujold stars in this gothic romance. Starts December 17



FUN WITH DICK AND JANE
Jane Fonda and George Segal—Bonnie and Clyde they ain't! Starts December 25



BIRCH INTERVAL
A moving portrait of a young girl growing up. Eddie Albert. Starts December 30



NICKELODEON
Love. Action. Comedy. Suspense. Excitement. Plus Ryan and Tatum O'Neal. Starts December 31

Here's a new month of great entertainment. No cuts, no commercials and convenient viewing times. Check through the guide to find out about the shows below plus the rest of this month's programs.

CLINT EASTWOOD IS DIRTY HARRY THE ENFORCER



DECEMBER 1-4

THURSDAY 1

5:00 MAN FRIDAY

Peter O'Toole (PG-1:45) p.14

7:00 INSIDE THE NFL

A new week's action. p.4

8:00 CASINO DE PARIS

SRO presents the world famous stage show starring Line Renaud. p.19

9:30 CALL HIM
MR. SHATTER

Stuart Whitman is an international spy surrounded by Kung Fu addicts and lots of action in Hong Kong (R-1:35)

11:30 MAN FRIDAY

Richard (Shaft) Roundtree has the title role (PG-1:45) p.14

FRIDAY 2

4:00 THE FRONT

Woody Allen (PG-1:34) p.15

6:00 INSIDE THE NFL

See the best of the action. p.4

7:00 THE MACKINTOSH
MAN

Limited engagement begins. Paul Newman and James Mason are superspies in this John Huston thriller (PG-1:39) p.5

9:00 DIAMONDS

Robert Shaw in spectacular crime caper (PG-1:48) p.18

11:00 THE MACKINTOSH
MAN

An eerie espionage drama starring Paul Newman and Dominique Sanda (PG-1:39) p.5

SATURDAY 3

2:30 DIRTY KNIGHTS'
WORK

David Birney, Barbara Seagull in humorous mystery (PG-1:28)

4:00 INSIDE THE NFL p.4

5:00 MURDER BY DEATH

Peter Falk (PG-1:34) p.4

7:00 SPARKLE

Premiere. Great music in this dramatic story reminiscent of the Supremes (PG-1:40) p.5

9:00 DIRTY KNIGHTS'
WORK

Donald Pleasence and Margaret Leighton (PG-1:28)

10:30 SWEEP AWAY

Lina Wertmuller's controversial film (Dubbed-R-1:56) p.7

SUNDAY 4

2:30 PERMISSION TO KILL

Ava Gardner—still beautiful and mysterious (PG-1:36) p.10

4:30 THE STING

Robert Redford and Paul Newman star in this razzle-dazzle con game (PG-2:03) p.10

7:00 THE ENFORCER

Premiere. Clint Eastwood is Dirty Harry and plenty tough (R-1:36) p.4

9:00 STARDUST

David Essex as British rock star in whirl of fame (R-1:37) p.15

10:45 THE ENFORCER

Harry turns his .44 Magnum on a group of terrorists (R-1:36) p.4



THE MACKINTOSH MAN

Director John Huston (*The Maltese Falcon*) hones this spy thriller to a razor's edge of eerie suspense. Paul Newman and beautiful Dominique Sanda survive double agents and triple crosses to nab a Communist spy played to perfect nastiness by James Mason. Great photography and screaming car chases. *Violence.* (PG-1:39) **Dec 2,6,9,12,14,18**



SPARKLE

FROM GHETTO
TO SUPERSTARS

Three sisters in Harlem beat the odds and make it into the hard and fast world of rock and roll. But the pressure and predators of superstardom unravel their lives. A forceful and moving film—and catch the great music by Curtis Mayfield already recorded by Aretha Franklin. Irene Cara stars. *Adult situations.* (PG-1:40) **Dec 3,5,8,16,20,23**



Robert Klein Revisited

Robert Klein's first HBO performance successfully launched the *ON LOCATION* comedy series. And his second engagement, performed at NYU, definitely measures up. This hilariously reasonable observer covers such unlikely topics as amoebic love affairs, game show jitters, cowardly watchdogs and opera pimps. **December 6, 9, 17**

Frank Gorshin

Gorshin does Cagney, Hitchcock, Brando, Gable and *Gorshin*—actor, comedian, singer. See the whole crew of him *ON LOCATION* **Dec 7, 31**

DECEMBER 5-8

MONDAY 5

5:00 WHIFFS
Elliott Gould stars in hilarious Army fiasco (PG-1:36) p.15

7:00 SPARKLE
Features the sensational music of Curtis (*Superfly*) Mayfield (PG-1:40) p.5

9:00 CASINO DE PARIS
Standing Room Only presents glittering show girls. p.19

10:30 WHIFFS
Not since M'A'S'H has the U.S. Army suffered such a laugh (PG-1:36) p.15

TUESDAY 6

5:00 ST. IVES
Charles Bronson and Jacqueline Bisset in action-filled thriller (PG-1:33) p.6

7:00 MACKINTOSH MAN
Interpol agent Paul Newman is in hot pursuit of a Communist spy (PG-1:39) p.5

9:00 ROBERT KLEIN ON LOCATION
Revisit Klein at NYU for ninety minutes of laughter. p.6

10:30 SWEEP AWAY
Lina Wertmüller's man vs. woman classic with Giancarlo Giannini (Dubbed-R-1:56) p.7

WEDNESDAY 7

5:00 MURDER BY DEATH
Nancy Walker in Agatha Christie spoof (PG-1:34) p.7

7:00 DIAMONDS
Robert Shaw in a breath-catching caper (PG-1:48) p.18

9:00 FRANK GORSHIN ON LOCATION

Gorshin creates a whole gang of celebrities. p.6

10:00 THE FRONT
Woody Allen and Zero Mostel star in superb drama with a touch of humor (PG-1:34) p.15

11:45 FRANK GORSHIN p.6

THURSDAY 8

5:00 SPARKLE
Great music by Curtis Mayfield plus Irene Cara in title role (PG-1:40) p.5

7:00 INSIDE THE NFL
HBO's exclusive look at the Pros, with commentary by Chuck Bednarik. p.7

8:00 THE ENFORCER
Clint Eastwood shines up his .44 Magnum and goes to work! (R-1:36) p.4

10:00 COLLEGE BASKETBALL
San Francisco Dons vs. Stanford Cardinals p.7



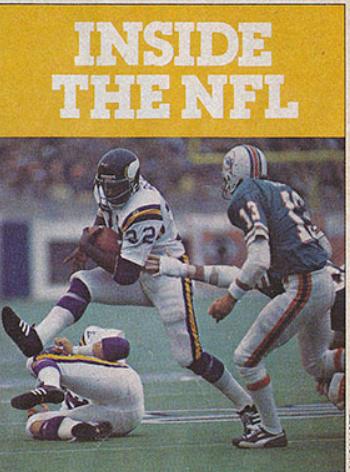
St Ives

Superstar Charles Bronson keeps cool as a reluctant fall guy exchanging a \$100,000 ransom for a batch of stolen journals. Jacqueline Bisset and John Houseman co-star. *Some violence.* (PG-1:33) **Dec 6, 10**



"Swept Away..."

Lina Wertmüller directs this hilarious, contemporary battle of the sexes about a mismatched pair stranded on a desert isle. *Nudity.* (Dubbed-R-1:56) **Dec 3, 6, 25**



Got an opinion about last week's NFL action? Hall-of-Famer Chuck Bednarik isn't shy about his. But don't let him do all the talking. Tell us what you think by entering our Super Bowl contest. **Dec 8, 9, 10**



Murder by Death

Eccentric Truman Capote invites the world's top sleuths to his spooky mansion for dinner and a murder. Peter Sellers, Maggie Smith and David Niven try to find out whodunit in this mystery spoof. *Adult humor.* (PG-1:34) **Dec 3, 7, 16, 24**

JULIE CHRISTIE CARRIES THE "DEMON SEED"

Tense, erotic, and dazzling sci-fi. A supercomputer wearies of its hum-drum scientific labors and seeks immortality in human form. Julie Christie is its beautiful, but very unwilling mate. "The fiercest competition between person and computer since 2001" (*Christian Science Monitor*). *Adult theme, nudity.* (R-1:34) **Dec 10,13,18,20,26**



DECEMBER 9-11

FRIDAY 9

4:30 MACKINTOSH MAN

John Huston thriller starring Paul Newman (PG-1:39) p.5

6:30 INSIDE THE NFL p.7

7:30 ROBERT KLEIN ON LOCATION

Revisit Klein at NYU for an hilarious ninety minutes. p.6

9:00 A CLOCKWORK ORANGE

Premiere. A dazzling and shocking look into the future starring Malcolm McDowell (R-2:17) p.9

11:30 ODE TO BILLY JOE

Drama based on Bobbie Gentry's hit tune (PG-1:46) p.18

SATURDAY 10

2:30 ST. IVES

Charles Bronson (PG-1:33) p.6

4:30 INSIDE THE NFL p.7

5:30 THE CHRISTMAS THAT ALMOST WASN'T

Limited engagement begins. Kids aid Santa (G-1:32) p.11

7:00 DEMON SEED

Premiere. Tense sci-fi with Julie Christie and vivid special effects (R-1:34) p.8

9:00 PERMISSION TO KILL

Ava Gardner (PG-1:37) p.10

10:45 DEMON SEED

Julie Christie is raped by a computer (R-1:34) p.8

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Final HBO Showing. p.6

SUNDAY 11

2:00 HELEN REDDY

SRO presents this jubilant song and dance woman. p.9

3:00 WHIFFS

Eddie Albert (PG-1:36) p.15

5:00 DIAMONDS

Robert Shaw (PG-1:48) p.18

7:00 HELEN REDDY

Premiere. A great evening of song and dance . . . plus a little extra! p.9

8:00 THE RITZ

Splendid fun in a gay bathhouse with Rita Moreno (R-1:31) p.15

9:30 CASINO DE PARIS

SRO takes you to France. p.19

11:00 THE RITZ

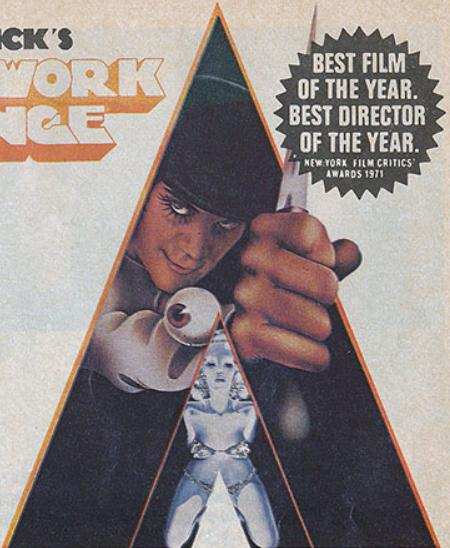
Jack Weston (R-1:31) p.15

STANLEY KUBRICK'S

CLOCKWORK ORANGE

Bold filmmaker Stanley Kubrick (*2001* and *Dr. Strangelove*) creates a nightmare of teenage gangs in a bleak world of the future. Malcolm McDowell leads a pack of unflinching marauders who rape and murder — often to the unlikely accompaniment of Beethoven's Ninth. "Extraordinary images, music and feelings . . . dazzles the senses and the mind" (*N.Y. Times*). *Nudity, violence.* (R-2:17) **Dec 9,15,17,19,28,30**

BEST FILM
OF THE YEAR.
BEST DIRECTOR
OF THE YEAR.
NEW YORK FILM CRITICS
AWARDS 1971



HELEN REDDY

OPENING NIGHT at Las Vegas' MGM Grand Hotel and Helen Reddy invites us into her star-studded audience for this exciting evening. It's a many-sided Helen Reddy show—a blend of singing, dancing, a unique use of animation and some wonderfully candid moments with this multitalented star. **Dec 11,13,15,22,24,29**



THE STING

Paul Newman is the professor. Robert Redford is his willing pupil. And the lesson is how to make the "Big Con." Robert Shaw is their quarry, but they'll get you too with laughs, charm and a great score. *Adult humor.* (PG-2:03) December 4,12,24

Permission to Kill

Ava Gardner and Dirk Bogarde star in this gripping spy drama. A very cool Bogarde stops at nothing to accomplish his mission. *Violence* (PG-1:37) Dec 4,10,14

DECEMBER 12-15

MONDAY 12

5:00 MACKINTOSH MAN
Paul Newman and James Mason (PG-1:39) p.5

7:00 THE STING
Robert Redford teams up with Paul Newman to out-swim the swindlers! (PG-2:03) p.10

9:30 THE ENFORCER

Clint Eastwood is Dirty Harry, the toughest cop in town (R-1:36) p.4

11:30 THE MACKINTOSH MAN

Double agents, triple crosses and beautiful Dominique Sanda (PG-1:39) p.5

TUESDAY 13

5:00 ODE TO BILLY JOE
Robby (*One on One*) Benson stars in story based on Bobbie Gentry's ballad (PG-1:46) p.18

7:00 NETWORK
Faye Dunaway, Peter Finch and William Holden in brilliant Oscar winner (R-2:00) p.11

9:00 HELEN REDDY

SRO presents the "I Am Woman" woman. p.9

10:00 DEMON SEED

Julie Christie in exciting science-fiction drama (R-1:34) p.8

WEDNESDAY 14

4:00 THE MACKINTOSH MAN

Paul Newman is hunted by Interpol and betrayed by a woman (PG-1:39) p.5

7:00 PERMISSION TO KILL

Final HBO Showing Dirk Bogarde will stop at *nothing* to stop his enemy (PG-1:37) p.10

8:00 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Michigan at Alabama p.11

10:00 MACKINTOSH MAN

Don't miss one of the most exciting car chases in years! Paul Newman stars (PG-1:39) p.5

THURSDAY 15

5:30 THE CHRISTMAS THAT ALMOST WASN'T

Santa has trouble at North Pole (G-1:32) p.11

7:00 INSIDE THE NFL

A new week's action. p.10

8:00 HELEN REDDY

SRO. She sings and dances in her own special preview. p.9

9:00 A CLOCKWORK ORANGE

A merciless vision of the near future (R-2:17) p.9

11:30 STARDUST

David Essex and fantastic music (R-1:37) p.15



Scrooge-like millionaire Phineas T. Prune (Rossano Brazzi) buys up the North Pole. When Santa can't pay the rent, the kids of the world come to his aid. Live action plus special animation make this an HBO holiday tradition that yule all enjoy. *General audience.* (G-1:32) Dec 10,15,18,24



A savagely funny satire of fast-talking, power-playing TV execs. William Holden with Oscar-winners Faye Dunaway and Peter Finch. *Adult language, nudity.* (R-2:00) Dec 13



An intersectional clash between Michigan and Alabama should give two of the nation's finest players—Phil Hubbard of the Wolverines and Reggie King of the Crimson Tide—a chance to show their stuff. Both the 6'7" Hubbard and the 6'6" King have excellent moves and are superb inside performers. In this December 14 contest, Alabama plans to showcase its latest hotshot, 6'10 1/2" Norman Anchrum.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

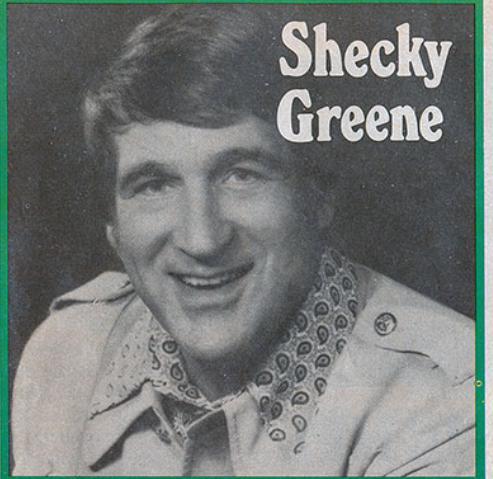


Barbra Streisand and Kris Kristofferson—two of the screen's most provocative stars—ignite one of Hollywood's most controversial and compelling films. They play two rock superstars, but she's on the rise and he's on the long spiral down. A glittering, sensual film with a superb musical score by Streisand and Paul Williams ("Evergreen" won both an Oscar and a Grammy). *Brief nudity, adult language.* (R-2:20) Dec 18, 23, 26



THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP

It's definitely Dickens for the holidays with the irrepressible Anthony Newley as the hunchback miser who out-scrooges Scrooge. Will Nell survive the odds and save the old shop? Find out in this beautiful production in the tradition of *Oliver*. David Hemmings, David Warner. *General audience.* (G-1:58) Dec 17, 19, 25, 29



Sheeky Greene

Sheeky Greene, one of the highest paid comedians in Las Vegas, is the undisputed "King of the Comics" (voted 1976 Comedian of the Year). He's also a singer, songwriter, superb dialectician and unparalleled story teller. Don't miss Sheeky doing it as only he knows how. **December 16, 19, 22, 28**

DECEMBER 16-18

FRIDAY 16

4:00 **MURDER BY DEATH**
Nancy Walker (PG-1:34) p.7
6:00 **INSIDE THE NFL** p.10
7:00 **SHEEKY GREENE ON LOCATION**

Premiere. HBO takes you to Las Vegas for a mad evening with this superb comedian. p.13

8:00 **THE ENFORCER**
Clint Eastwood is back as Dirty Harry and he's after a gang of terrorists (R-1:36) p.4
10:00 **SPARKLE**
Singers from Harlem make it to the top (PG-1:40) p.5

11:45 **THE ENFORCER**
Clint Eastwood (R-1:36) p.4

SATURDAY 17

2:00 **MAN FRIDAY**
Peter O'Toole (PG-1:45) p.14
4:00 **INSIDE THE NFL** p.10
5:00 **THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP**

Premiere. Anthony Newley in Dickens' tale (G-1:58) p.12

7:00 **KAMOURASKA**
Premiere. Grand passion of two 19th century lovers (1:59) p.14
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Revisit Klein at NYU. p.6

10:30 **A CLOCKWORK ORANGE**
Scary Sci-Fi (R-2:17) p.9
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Final HBO Showing p.6

SUNDAY 18

2:00 **THE CHRISTMAS THAT ALMOST WASN'T**
Clever animation (G-1:32) p.11
3:30 **HBO MAGIC SHOW**
Dick Cavett stars on *SRO*. p.13

5:00 **MACKINTOSH MAN**
Paul Newman (PG-1:39) p.5
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Premiere. Barbra Streisand and Kris Kristofferson are superstars—one on the rise, the other declining. Sensational music (R-2:20) p.12
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SRO jets to France. p.19

11:00 **DEMON SEED**
Julie Christie is raped by a computer (R-1:34) p.8



'KAMOURASKA': POWER OF PASSION



The grand passion of lovers caught in the pious grip of 19th century morality. Genevieve Bujold and her lover, Richard Jordan, (TV's *Captains and Kings*) plot to escape her mad husband's cruelty. A great gothic tale of love and death and the "finest romantic film in years" (*Washington Post*). *No rating. Adult situations.* (1:59) **Dec 17, 21, 26**

INSIDE THE NFL

Play Monday morning quarterback each Thursday on HBO. Find out not just who won, but get an in-depth look at how they won. **December 22, 23, 24**

DECEMBER 19-22**MONDAY 19****6:00 THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP**

Anthony Newley stars in this musical version of the Dickens tale (G-1:58) p.12

8:00 SHECKY GREENE ON LOCATION

Shecky was voted best comedian of 1976. p.13

9:00 A CLOCKWORK ORANGE

Stanley Kubrick's view of the near future. (R-2:17) p.9

11:30 THE FRONT

Final HBO Showing. Woody Allen (PG-1:34) p.15

TUESDAY 20**5:00 ODE TO BILLY JOE**

A warm drama based on the hit ballad (PG-1:46) p.18

7:00 DEMON SEED

Julie Christie stars in a science fiction thriller (R-1:34) p.8

9:00 SPARKLE

Great Curtis Mayfield soundtrack (PG-1:40) p.5

10:45 CALL HIM MR. SHATTER

Stuart Whitman stars as a hit man who is double-crossed by everyone except his Kung Fu sidekick (R-1:35)

WEDNESDAY 21**5:00 MAN FRIDAY**

Final HBO Showing. The Crusoe adventure updated with Peter O'Toole and Richard Roundtree (PG-1:45) p.14

7:00 KAMOURASKA

Genevieve Bujold in a splendid gothic romance (1:59) p.14

9:00 THE RITZ

Rita Moreno and Jack Weston star in this wild comedy (R-1:31) p.15

10:30 THE ENFORCER

Clint Eastwood returns as Dirty Harry (R-1:36) p.4



THE RITZ

Breathless Jack Weston seeks refuge from mobster Jerry Stiller in a gay NYC bathhouse. Resident singer Rita Moreno, who thinks Weston is a big producer, tries to "straighten" him out in this very, very funny flick. *Adult humor.* (R-1:31) **Dec 11, 21**

Whiffs

The funniest military farce since M*A*S*H. Elliott Gould stars as a chemical warfare guinea pig. Eddie Albert, Jennifer O'Neill. *Adult humor.* (PG-1:36) **Dec 5, 11**

THURSDAY 22**5:00 HELEN REDDY S.R.O.**

Helen sings a love ballad she wrote for her husband. p.9

6:00 INSIDE THE NFL

A new week's action. p. 14

7:00 COLLEGE BASKETBALL

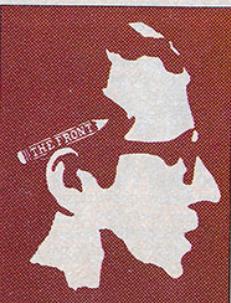
Marquette vs. Louisville p.22

9:00 SHECKY GREENE ON LOCATION

Shecky performs his Las Vegas act. p.13

10:00 STARDUST

The rise and fall of a 1960s rock star (R-1:37) p.15



THE FRONT

Woody Allen plays a small-time bookie who earns some quick cash by "fronting" for blacklisted TV writers during the McCarthy era. It's great fun until Congress asks Woody to have a seat—in the witness chair. The great Zero Mostel co-stars. *Some strong language.* (PG-1:34) **December 2, 7, 19**

A tribute to American ingenuity.

FUN WITH DICK AND JANE



See Dick and Jane run up bills. See them overdraw their bank account. See them stick up the telephone company. Go Dick. Go Jane. It's George Segal and Jane Fonda tumbling out of the American dream and into crime as a way back to fiscal health. A perfect screwball comedy and watch for Ed McMahon as Dick's pickled employer. *Adult language.* (PG-1:39) **Dec 25, 29, 31**



DECEMBER 23-25

FRIDAY 23

4:00 SPARKLE
From ghetto singers to superstars (PG-1:40) p.5

6:00 INSIDE THE NFL

Don't miss the action p.14

7:00 BUGSY MALONE

Premiere. Ingenious spoof
—gangsters and molls all under

12-years-old! (G-1:34) p.17

9:00 A STAR IS BORN

Barbra Streisand re-creates the
Judy Garland role in her own
style (R-2:20) p.12

11:30 THE MAN WHO FELL

TO EARTH

David Bowie stars as a space
traveler (R-1:59) p.19

SATURDAY 24

**1:30 THE CHRISTMAS THAT
ALMOST WASN'T**
(G-1:32) p.11

3:00 MURDER BY DEATH

Final HBO Showing. Peter Falk
(PG-1:34) p.7

4:30 INSIDE THE NFL p.14

5:30 OLIVER TWIST

Premiere. Cartoon version of

Dickens' tale (G-1:15) p.18

7:00 PART 2 SOUNDER

Premiere. Sequel to Oscar-nominee *Sounder* (G-1:38) p.17

9:00 HELEN REDDY

Standing Room Only. p.9

10:00 THE STING

Paul Newman (PG-2:03) p.10

12:30 HELEN REDDY p.9

SUNDAY 25

**1:30 THE OLD
CURIOSITY SHOP**
Dickens' classic (G-1:58) p.12

3:30 BUGSY MALONE

Celebrate with some lively
young mobsters (G-1:34) p.17

5:30 THE HBO

MAGIC SHOW

Dick Cavett hosts, p.13

7:00 FUN WITH DICK

AND JANE

Premiere. Jane Fonda and
George Segal in screwball com-

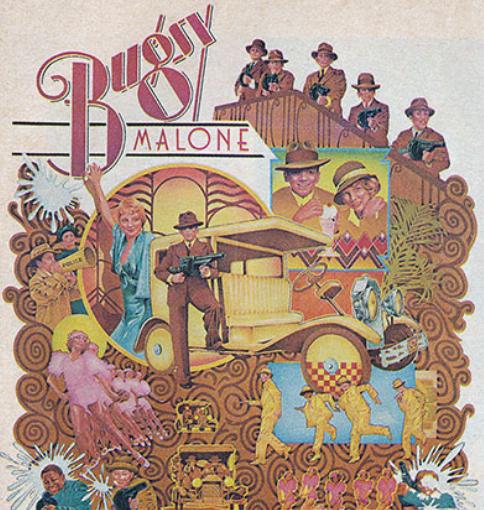
edy (PG-1:39) p.16

9:00 BUGSY MALONE

Jodie Foster (G-1:34) p.17

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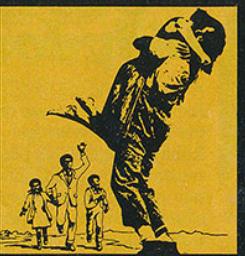
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PART 2 SOUNDER

This moving sequel to the immensely popular *Sounder*, "not only satisfies but extends itself beyond the original," says Judith Crist. A rural black family struggles to build a school in Louisiana in 1933. Fine performances and the rich music of Taj Mahal make this a grass-roots drama for the whole family. *General audience.* (G-1:38) **Dec 24, 30**

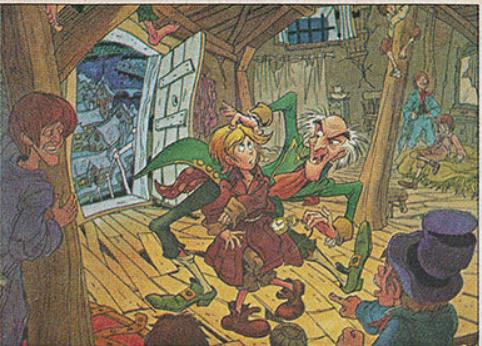
FOR THE 60 MILLION PEOPLE
WHO LOVED
"SOUNDER"



NOW THERE IS...

PART 2 SOUNDER

Tiny henchmen chauffeur their bosses in pedal-driven limos, guns shoot cream puffs and the oldest gangster is 12 in this original and delightfully innocent family film. Jodie Foster (*Taxi Driver*) highlights the cast of dressed-up, tough-talking youngsters—from gun molls in flapper outfits to pin-striped mini-mobsters. It's a rare, ingenious and thoroughly captivating spoof right down to the slick musical score by Paul Williams. *General audience.* (G-1:34) **December 23, 25, 28**



OLIVER TWIST

Top-flight animation and sparkling music turn this cartoon version of Dickens' tale into wondrous entertainment for all. Oliver and his cricket friend, Squeaker, outrun the classic villains —Mr. Bumble, Fagin, The Artful Dodger and evil Bill Sikes. *General audience.* (G-1:15) **Dec 24, 28, 31**

DIAMONDS

Robert (Jaws) Shaw plots and ploys his way through the most breath-catching caper since *Topkapi*. Richard (Shaft) Roundtree, Barbara Seagull and Shelley Winters co-star. *Brief nudity.* (PG-1:48) **December 2, 7, 11, 27**



Ode To Billy Joe

At last we find out why Billy Joe McAllister jumped off the Tallahatchie bridge. Robby (One on One) Benson and Glynnis O'Connor star in this poignant story of young love woven from Bobbie Gentry's haunting ballad. "A remarkably sensitive and powerful film" (L.A. Times). *Adult theme.* (PG-1:46) **Dec 9, 13, 20, 26**

INSIDE THE NFL

Expert commentary, player profiles and a new Super Bowl contest. **Dec 29, 30, 31**

MONDAY 26

5:00 **ODE TO BILLY JOE**
Final HBO Showing. Robby Benson in title role from the hit ballad (PG-1:46) p.18
7:00 **A STAR IS BORN**
Barbra Streisand and Kris Kristofferson in spectacular version of this classic (R-2:20) p.12
9:30 **DEMON SEED**
Julie Christie in Sci-Fi view of the computer world. Vivid special effects (R-1:34) p.8
11:30 **KAMOURASKA**
A beautiful gothic romance of love and death (1:59) p.14

TUESDAY 27



The man who Fell to Earth

Unique sci-fi with a fabulous performance by rock star David Bowie. "Beautiful and absorbing." (N.Y. Times). Co-stars Buck Henry and Candy Clark. *Nudity.* (R-1:59) **December 23, 27**



This world famous floor show is as rich and colorful as Paris is itself. And its tradition of elegant and topless show girls dates back to the 1890s when the art of striptease and naughtiness created a new type of entertainment. Line Renaud stars in this glittering SRO event. **Dec 1, 5, 11, 18, 27, 30**

DECEMBER 26-29

WEDNESDAY 28

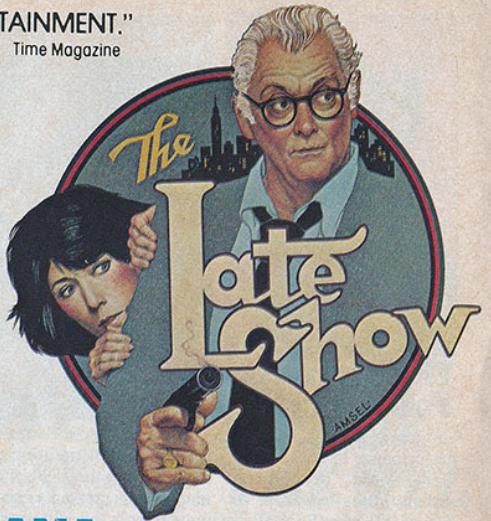
THURSDAY 29

5:00 **DIAMONDS**
Final HBO Showing. Robert Shaw in terrific crime caper (PG-1:48) p.18
7:00 **CASINO DE PARIS**
Beautiful show girls from Paris. p.19
8:30 **THE MAN WHO FELL
TO EARTH**
Malcolm McDowell in an award winning futuristic drama (R-2:17) p.9
10:30 **THE ENFORCER**
Clint Eastwood in latest of "Dirty Harry" films (R-1:36) p.4
11:30 **SHOCKY GREENE
ON LOCATION**
A laugh-filled hour with one of the best! p.13
4:00 **THE OLD
CURIOSITY SHOP**
Anthony Newley creates a grand Mr. Quilp (G-1:58) p.12
6:00 **HELEN REDDY**
HBO takes you to Las Vegas, Nevada. p.9
7:00 **INSIDE THE NFL**
A new week's action. p.18
8:00 **FUN WITH DICK
AND JANE**
Jane Fonda and George Segal —Bonnie and Clyde they're not! (PG-1:39) p.16
10:00 **COLLEGE BASKETBALL**
Arizona vs. UCLA p.22

"A FIRST-CLASS ENTERTAINMENT."

Time Magazine

Art Carney, as a cagey, old private eye, hangs up his rocker to go gumshoeing with a spacey L.A. lady, Lily Tomlin. Together they unravel the murder of his ex-partner and discover a plotful of betrayals and red herrings in this bright comedy-mystery. Bill (Maude's husband) Macy is super as a low-rent rat. It's a great, late show that moves like a sax through a smoky barroom. *Adult theme, violence.* (PG-1:34) **January 1**



DEC 30, 31-JAN 1

FRIDAY 30

4:00 PART 2 SOUNDER

Taj Mahal makes the same great music as in the first *Sounder* (G-1:38) p.17

6:00 INSIDE THE NFL

Exclusive look. p.18

7:00 BIRCH INTERVAL

Premiere. Exquisite film about growing up. Rip Torn and Eddie Albert (PG-1:44) p.21

9:00 A CLOCKWORK ORANGE

In 1971 Judith Crist called it best film of the year (R-2:17) p.9

11:30 CASINO DE PARIS

A grand stage show. p.19

SATURDAY 31

2:30 OLIVER TWIST

Great animation (G-1:15) p.18

4:00 INSIDE THE NFL

p.18

5:00 FUN WITH DICK AND JANE

Jane Fonda (PG-1:39) p.16

7:00 NICKELODEON

Premiere. Ryan and Tatum O'Neal team up with Burt Reynolds in a hilarious look at early movies (PG-2:01) p.21

A laugh-packed New Year's Eve ON LOCATION with:

9:00 FRANK GORSHIN

p.6

10:00 SHECKY GREENE

p.13

11:00 THE YOUNG COMEDIANS

12:30 **SHELLEY BERMAN**

SUNDAY 1

2:00 PAUL ANKA

SRO brings New Year's cheer with singer/composer Anka.

3:30 THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP

Anthony Newley (G-1:58) p.12

5:30 PAUL ANKA

SRO. Anka sings his golden oldies plus his current hits.

7:00 THE LATE SHOW

Premiere. Art Carney and Lily Tomlin are an unlikely detective team in this comedy-mystery (PG-1:34) p.20

9:00 DEMON SEED

Julie Christie (R-1:34) p.8

11:00 THE LATE SHOW

Art Carney (PG-1:34) p.20

NICKELODEON

A hapless and hilarious crew of novice actors and their shaky director embark on a venture into silent filmmaking. Peter Bogdanovich (*Paper Moon*) creates a laugh-filled homage to the good-old flickers. With Ryan O'Neal, his daughter Tatum, and Burt Reynolds, it's a warm, authentic vision of a slap-dash film company making nothing but slapstick. *Adult humor.* (PG-2:01) **December 31**



BIRCH INTERVAL



"a beautifully acted and sensitive memoir of a few girlhood months when things fell apart and came back together with a new maturity."

—Charles Champlin, LOS ANGELES TIMES

The moving portrait of Jesse, a young New York girl sent off to relatives in peaceful Amish country. The sad fate of her "crazy" uncle (Rip Torn) draws her face-to-face with the complex realities of the adult world as her innocence turns to painful understanding. Eddie Albert and Ann Wedgeworth co-star with newcomer Susan McClung. *Adult theme.* (PG-1:44) **December 30**

HBO SOUNDTRACK

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

HBO covers four big games this month. **Dec 8**, San Francisco/Stanford (p.7), **Dec 14**, Michigan/Alabama (p.11), **Dec 22**, Marquette/Louisville. Hank Raymonds, the tactician who helped Marquette win the NCAA title last season, is the new Warrior coach.



HEINZ KLEINER/ST

He will be designing plays to get the most out of superlative guard Butch Lee, 6' 10" Jerome Whitehead and 6' 9" Bernard Toone. But they should have their hands full against Louisville and its wondrous leaper, Darrell Griffith. **Dec 29**, Arizona/UCLA. Another new coach, UCLA's Gary Cunningham, will send his Bruins against Arizona for December's final clash.

How HBO Works

Many viewers write asking how shows are scheduled. Because we feel this information assures maximum enjoyment of HBO, we try to give frequent explanations. **Movies and specials premiere Friday, Saturday and Sunday** Then, for your convenience, they are shown at different times on four to five days over the next four weeks.

Continued opening runs

When shows premiere later in the month, their opening

run carries over into the early part of the following month.

One to three showings

Each month we encore several of the most popular programs from earlier months. These play one to three times during the month.

Program Guide

Only highlights appear on the front pages, so be sure to check through the entire guide. The schedule is divided into weekends and weekdays and includes page numbers to find out more about the programs.

Holiday Specials

Take a holiday trip to Las Vegas with HBO. SRO pre-

Seasons Greetings



sents Helen Reddy's smash opening night at the MGM Grand Hotel. And Sheeky Greene performs his hilarious nightclub act *On Location* in Las Vegas. There's also a treat on December 31st. A special selection of *On Location* comics will keep you laughing right into the New Year!

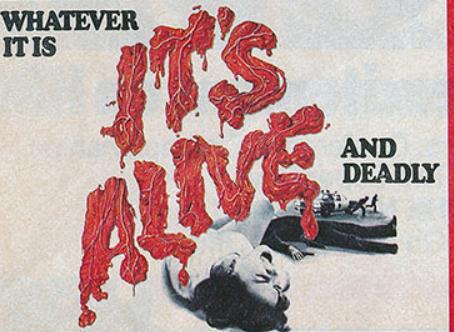
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Gladys Knight & The Pips and Ray Charles



COMING IN JANUARY

WHATEVER IT IS



JANUARY 2-5

MONDAY 2

5:00 BUGSY MALONE
12-year-old gangsters!
(G-1:34) p.17

7:00 BIRCH INTERVAL
Eddie Albert (PG-1:44) p.21
9:00 THE HONEYMOON KILLERS

Shirley Stoler (R-1:34)
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(G-1:34) p.17

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George Segal and Ed McMahon
(PG-1:39) p.16

7:30 COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Hofstra at Arkansas
9:30 HELEN REDDY

Standing Room Only p.9

10:30 FUN WITH DICK AND JANE
Jane Fonda in screwball comedy
(PG-1:39) p.16

THURSDAY 5

5:00 PART 2 SOUNDER
(G-1:38) p.17

7:00 INSIDE THE NFL
See the Conference champs.

8:00 NICKELODEON
Burt Reynolds and Ryan O'Neal (PG-2:01) p.21

10:00 KAMOURASKA
Genevieve Bujold (1:59) p.14



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